

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**CHIEF HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE**

**DOCKET NOS 2021-130-S ORDER NO. 2021-136-H**

**OCTOBER 21, 2021**

**CHIEF HEARING OFFICER: David Butler**

**DOCKET DESCRIPTION:**

**Joint Application for Approval of the Sale of Assets and Transfer of Facilities, Territory and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from Synergy Utilities, L.P. to South Carolina Water Utilities, Inc.**

**MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

**Request for Extension of Deadline to Report on Settlement**

**CHIEF HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:**

**By Order No. 2021-123H, the Commission continued the September 21, 2021 hearing in this matter to give the parties the opportunity to negotiate a settlement of the issues in this Docket. The Commission set a deadline of October 20, 2021 for the parties to report a settlement of the matter. Counsel for the Joint Applicants now asserts that the parties have been working towards a comprehensive settlement in this Docket and are circulating settlement documents addressing all issues in the Docket and transferring the Northwoods Subdivision sewer system to the Orangeburg Department of Public Utilities. Counsel for the Joint Applicants requests an additional twenty (20) days for the opportunity to complete the settlement. This would establish a new deadline of November 10, 2021 for the parties to report on settlement of this matter. No party has filed in opposition to this request. Accordingly, the extension is granted, and the parties shall have until November 10, 2021 to report on settlement of the issues in this Docket. This completes the Chief Hearing Officer's Directive.**